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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Masato Shimada, Tetsuchi Takahashi, Tsutomu Nishiwaki  
and Tsutomu Hashizume  
INK-JET PRINTER HEAD AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME  
Our Ref: Q59177

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of Masato Shimada, Tetsuchi Takahashi, Tsutomu Nishiwaki and Tsutomu Hashizume pending prior Application No. 09/107,276 filed June 30, 1998 entitled INK-JET PRINTER HEAD AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims, 17 sheets of informal drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO Form 1449 listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2853.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

*M* This is a divisional of Application No. 09/107,276 filed June 30, 1998, which is a divisional of 08/756,254 filed on November 25, 1996 the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from November 24, 1995, March 14, 1996, October 25, 1996, and November 18, 1996, based on Japanese Application Nos. HEI. 7-306198, HEI. 8-57950, HEI 8-284487, and HEI. 8-306373, respectively. The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 08/756,254.

~~Cancel claims: 1-7 and 13-16~~

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Total claims	<u>12</u> - 20	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>4</u> - 3	=	<u>1</u>	x	\$78.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$78.00
Base Fee								<u>\$690.00</u>
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee								<u>\$260.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>								<b><u>\$1028.00</u></b>

A check for the statutory fee of \$1028.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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